

Montgomery County Commissioners Meeting

June 15, 2004 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Chairman – William D. Maness “Billy”

Vice-Chairman – Dolon W. Corbett

Commissioner - Sally M. Morris

Commissioner – R.C. Bostic

Commissioner – George H. Knight, Jr.

County Manager – Lee Matthews

Clerk – Laura B. Morton

County Attorney – Russell J. Hollers

The Montgomery County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session on Tuesday, June 15, 2004 at 6:00 p.m. A full board was present. Chairman Maness called the meeting to order and the following was heard:

Invocation

Commissioner Bostic gave the invocation.

Approval of Minutes

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Corbett and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes.

Public Forum

Charles Collins appeared before the board regarding the sewer charges on the second meters at his lot at Twin Harbor. Chairman Maness asked Mr. Matthews to explain the discussion in the work session. Mr. Matthews went through the proposed options and the disconnection fee and said this issue is scheduled to be voted on at the end of this meeting. Mr. Collins asked how you plan to disconnect it. Mr. Matthews said at this point I am not sure.

Vicky McPherson appeared before the board regarding irrigation taps at Twin Harbor. She said in this county she lives they have irrigation taps. She asked if Montgomery County has them. Chairman Maness said not at this time, he said if it was just a water service it would be fine. Mrs. McPherson asked if it could be considered. Mr. Maness said that is something the board will have to discuss. Mr. Matthews said there has been some discussion, but little support.

Chairman Maness explained that this is the county's first sewer line ever. He said we are dealing with a lot of little issues, but we are moving forward.

Commissioner Knight said how could they control an irrigation tap in Twin Harbor. What would keep them from running a hose pipe from their water tap and hooking it to their irrigation tap? Mrs. McPherson said other than them being honest, I guess people could do that, they could move a hose from one tap to another.

James Bean also appeared before the board with the same issue. He explained that he lives there full time.

Public Hearing on the FY 2004 – 2005 Operating Budget.

Chairman Maness recessed the regular session and called to order the public hearing on the FY 2004 – 2005 Operating Budget.

Mr. Matthews explained that the tax rate in the proposed budget is 58 cents. He said the proposed budget has been on file for the public to look at if they so desired.

There were no comments heard regarding the FY 2004-2005 Operating Budget.

Approval of Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2004 – 2005.

The budget at this time was not ready for approval.

Appointment to Montgomery County Economic Development Board.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion carried unanimously to reappoint Don Trexler to serve as the county commissioner representative for the Montgomery County Economic Development Board.

Appointment to Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees.

In a motion made by Commissioner Bostic, seconded by Commissioner Corbett and so the motion carried unanimously to appoint Erie Greene to serve as the county commissioner representative for the Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees. Mr. Greene will take the place of Ivory Richardson who asked not to be reappointed.

Approval of Review Officers for the Tax Department.

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Bostic and so the motion carried unanimously to appoint Tina Abernathy as a review officer for the Tax Department and to remove the names of Ellen Qualls, Joyce Dennis, and Doris Gaddy as review officers.

Approval of Fiscal Year Ending Budget Amendments.

Chairman Maness said Mr. Matthews and Finance Officer Cathy Baxter have done a good job, but hopefully next year it will be better.

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion carried unanimously to approve all of the Fiscal Year Ending Budget Amendments. (All of these amendments were explained by Mr. Matthews and Mrs. Baxter in the work session at 4:30 p.m.)

Motion To Set A Date For A Public Hearing: No Wake Zone – Gar Creek.

In a motion made by Commissioner Corbett, seconded by Commissioner Morris and so the motion carried unanimously to set July 20, 2004 as the public hearing for the no wake zone request at Gar Creek.

Appointment of Veterinarian to the Board of Health

In a motion made by Commissioner Knight, seconded by Commissioner Morris and so the motion carried unanimously to appoint Dr. Carrie Hampton, DMV to serve on the Montgomery County Board of Health as the veterinarian representative. Dr. Hampton's appointment replaces Dr. Kathy Haywood who served four terms.

Items Carried Forward from the Work Session

The following items were carried forward from the work session: Mr. Matthews went through the following billing options that were discussed in the work session:

Twin Harbor Billing Options For Those With Two or More Items

Group #1

- Disconnect one meter
 - o Customer will receive water and sewer bills on the remaining meter

Group #2

- Leave both meters in place
 - o Bill at least the minimum water bill on each meter

- With no water usage on the second meter
 - o Bill sewer only on the meter with usage

Group #3

- With usage on both water meters
 - o Bill water and sewer on both meters

In a motion made by Commissioner Morris, seconded by Commissioner Knight and so the motion carried unanimously to approve the above billing options for Twin Harbor for only those property owners with more than one lot. A \$25 disconnection fee will also be assessed.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

William D. Maness, Chairman

Laura B. Morton, Clerk to the Board